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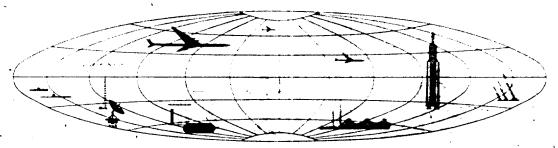


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This report provides an answer to that portion of DIA requirement DIAXX 63-78 requesting a search of photography for elevated electronics equipment at SA-3 surface-to-air missile (SAM) sites other than those covered by the earlier part of the requirement and reported on in NPIC/R-183/63. 1/ The latter publication presented information on 14 SA-3 SAM sites, all of which appear to have serious radar masking conditions, and on the towers observed at some sites which may reduce

these conditions by elevating radar antennas.

As a result of the current study, an elevated electronics position similar to a probable radar position reported earlier 2/ has been observed at four sites, and possible elevated electronics equipment has been observed at one site. Table 1 lists the SA-3 SAM sites covered and provides further information resulting from this grudy.

All information in this report is based on KEYHOLE photography prior to

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Table 1. Results of Search for Elevated Electronics Equipment at SA-3 SAM Sites

SA-3 SAM Site	BE No	Photographic Coverage		Remarks
		KEYHOLE Mission	PI Quality Type	Remarks
Baku A-16A				No equipment or towers visible
A-23A				Lack of stereoscopic coverage precludes interpretation
B-10A →				Lack of stereoscopic coverage precludes interpretation
Chernyakhovsk (Ozersk) 54-24-35N				No equipment or towers visible
22-02-25E* (Ragnit) 55-01-25N 21-59-50E				No equipment or towers visible
Kaliningrad B-02				No equipment or towers visities
B-214				No equipment or towers system
C-11				No equipment or towers visible
C-13 (Praydinsk)				Quality of photography precludes interpretation No equipment or towers visible
C:32 (Donskoye) (Polessk) 54-50-20N				No equipment or towers visible
21-06-45E (Baltiysk) 54-39-50N 19-54-00E				No equipment or towers visible

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SA-8 SAM Site	BE No	KEYHOLE Mission	PI Quality/Type	Remarks
Leningrad				V
C-01A				No equipment or towers observed; site under construction
C-06A				No equipment or towers observed; site observed to be under con-
C-08				struction No equipment or towers observed; site observed to be under con- struction
C-21B				No equipment or towers visible
C-23				No equipment or towers observed
C-26B				Unidentified object observed in center revetment and on roof of reverted building adjacent to main service road.
D-35				No equipment or towers visible; site observed to be under construction
Lida C-29A				No equipment or towers observed
Liepaja A-19				No equipment or towers observed
A-36				Possible elevated electronics equipment observed in center re- verment; no towers visible
Lyalichi 44-02-10N 132-30-00E				No equipment or towers visible
Moscow E-33A				No equipment or towers observed
E-35A				Quality of photography precludes interpretation
Murmansk B-08				No equipment or towers observed
Odessa A-05A				No equipment or towers visible
A-19A				No equipment or towers visible
Olenegorsk B-01				No equipment or towers visible
B-02A				No equipment or towers observe
•				entire site is located on top of hill and center revetment is
B-05				possibly raised No equipment or towers visible

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Table 1. (Continued)				
SA-3 SAM Site	BE No	Photographic Coverage		Remarks
		KEYHOLE Mission	Pl Quality, Type	•
Palanga A-03A				Elevated electronics position ob- served similar to the earth mound with earth ramp mentioned in an earlier report 2' as oc- cupied probable radar position
Pavilosta 56-53N 21-10E				No equipment or towers observed
Plesetsk A-32				Quality of photography precludes interpretation
Pruzhany MRBM				•
Complex B-10A (Elevated electronics position ob- served, similar to the earth mound with earth ramp mentioned in an earlier report 2 as oc- cupied probable radar position
B-16**				Site has occupied elevated prob- able radar position consisting of earth mound with earth ramp (reported earlier 2)
i Sevastopol A-01A				No equipment or towers observed
A-17A				Site observed to be under con- struction
► A-28 **				hite observed to be under con- struction
A-27A				No equipment or towers observed
Severodvinsk B-02A				No equipment or towers visible
64-32-40N 39-30-00E				No equipment or towers observed; site observed to be probably under construction
Shehuchin A-27A				No equipment or towers visible
Sovetsk B-01				Quality of photography precludes
B-32A				interpretation Quality of photography precludes interpretation
Sovetsk MRBM Complex A-06				Quality of photography precludes interpretation

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SA-3 SAM Site	BE No	Photographic Coverage		Remarks
		KEYHOLE Mission	Pl Quality Type	nemarks
Ussuriysk B-04				N
				No equipment or towers visible
B-06				No equipment or towers visible
Vladivostok				
A-07				Quality of photography precludes interpretation
A-19				No equipment or towers visible; site observed to be under con- struction
A-22				No equipment or towers observed
B-26				No equipment or towers observed
Volkovysk				
A-34A				Elevated electronics position ob- served, similar to the earth mound with earth ramp mentioned in an earlier report 2 as oc- cupied probable radar position
B-19A				Elevated electronics position ob- served, similar to the earth mound with earth ramp mentioned in an earlier report 2/ as oc- cupied probable radar position

^{*}Coordinates are included for sites lacking numerical designators.

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^{**}Formerly designated B-16A.